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REMARKS

The present Response and Amendment is intended to be fully responsive to all points of objection and/or rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Applicant asserts that the present invention is new, non-obvious and useful. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Status of Claims

Claims 1-29 are pending in the application. Claims 20-29 have been allowed. Claims 13-16 have been objected to. Claims 1-12 and 17-19 have been rejected. Claim 9 has been amended.

Claims 1-8, 13 and 17-19 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. In making this cancellation without prejudice, Applicant reserves all rights in these claims to file divisional and/or continuation patent applications.

Applicant respectfully asserts that the amendments to the claims add no new matter.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for allowing claims 20-29.

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 13-16 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant has amended claim 9 to include the limitations of claim 13 and has cancelled claim 13.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claim 9 is allowable. Each of claims 10-12 and 14-16 depends from amended independent claim 9, includes all the features of the claim from which it depends as well as additional distinguishing features, and is therefore likewise allowable.